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SONIC! WE DID IT! THE METAL VIRUS IS *GONE* FROM THE WORLD!

G-G-GREAT! N-N-NOW T-T-TO D-D-DITCH TH-TH-THE W-W-WARP T-T-TOPAZ...!

SHA-KOOM

BUT... DR. STARLINE WAS RIGHT. THE WARP TOPAZ COULDN'T HANDLE ALL THAT POWER.

SONIC TRIED TO DITCH IT IN THE SUPER WARP PORTAL, BUT...

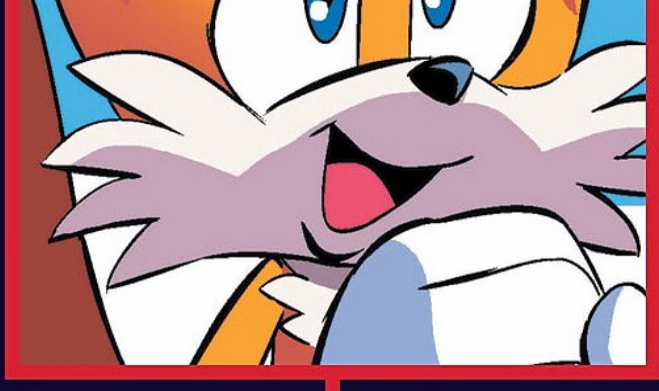
BREEP BREEP

SONIC IS M.I.A. I NEED TO STRIKE WHILE THE IRON IS HOT.

AND I'LL BE ENDING ALL OF YOURS!

AMY ROSE
Hammer-swinging Heroine.
Restoration organizer.

JEWEL THE BEETLE
Crystal Curator.
Tangle's best friend.



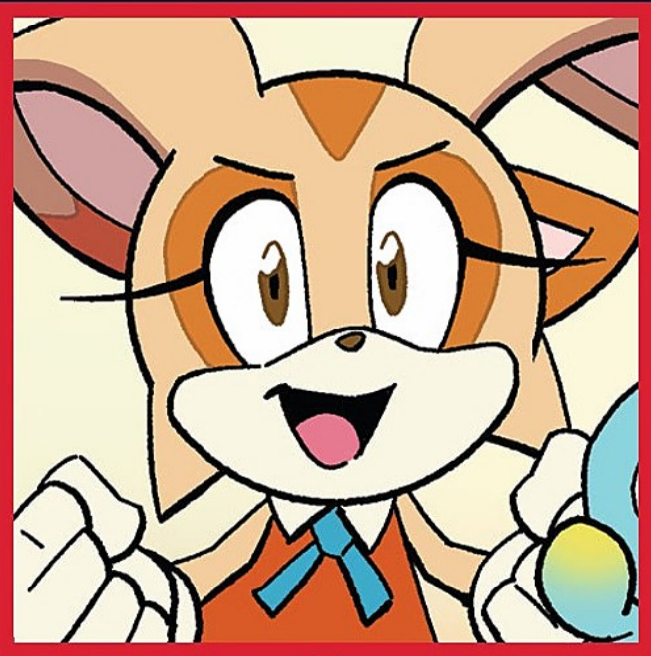
MILES "TAILS" PROWER
Tech-savvy Sidekick.
High-flying genius.

TANGLE THE LEMUR
Excitable Hero.
Elastic-tailed brawler.

WHISPER THE WOLF
Silent Sniper.
Variable wispon master.

DR. EGGMAN
Mad Genius.
Eggman Empire.

CHAOTIX DETECTIVE AGENCY
Ace detectives.
Chaotix detective agency.



CREAM THE RABBIT
Gentle Heroine.
Restoration ally.

GEMERL
Reformed Robot.
Cream's protector.

SPIRAL HILL VILLAGE.

TREMBLE IN FEAR, FOOLS! I AM DR. EGGMAN--GREATEST OF PARTY CRASHERS IN THE FIERCEST OF PARTY CRUSHERS!

I SIMPLY MUST THANK YOU FOR GATHERING TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE!

IT MAKES DESTROYING YOU ALL SO MUCH EASIER!

AMY. ORDERS?

I'M NOT LEADING THE RESTORATION ANYMORE.

I PASSED IT OFF TO JEWEL.

JEWEL. ORDERS?

I DON'T KNOW! I'M JUST HANDLING THE PAPERWORK! YOU'RE ALL THE HERO-TYPES!

WHAT'S THE CALL, JET?

WHAT DO YOU *THINK?*

FROGGY? WHERE ARE YOU?

WE ALREADY HELPED THESE JERKS ONCE.

LET THEM HANDLE EGGMAN WHILE WE HELP OURSELVES TO THE GEMS AND GET OUTTA HERE!

TAILS! USE YOUR COMPUTER THINGY AND TRY TO MESS WITH THE MECHA'S PROGRAMMING!

CUSTOM CODING, COMING UP!

FLYING GUYS! TRY TO BUST INTO THE COCKPIT!

THE REST OF YOU ARE WITH ME!

AIM FOR THE LEG JOINTS AND BRING HIM DOWN!

WHERE ARE ALL THE GEMS?!

IT'LL HURT RETURNING THESE, BUT IT'S WORTH IT JUST FOR THIS MOMENT.

YOU WILL NOT MENACE CREAM FURTHER!

GEMERL! BE CAREFUL!

FRIP

FRIP

FRIP

BWA-HA-HA-HA!

THAT'S TWO WAYWARD CREATIONS BACK UNDER MY CONTROL! NOW I HAVE TWICE THE COMBAT CODING AND PROCESSING POWER--A QUADRUPLE POWER-UP OVERALL!

SO THANKS FOR THE UPGRADE!

FWEEEEEE

ZAP

BLAM

IMPERIAL PALACE OF THE SOL EMPIRE. BLAZE'S WORLD & DIMENSION.

HOW ARE YOU THIS EVENING... "MR. NEEDLE-MOUSE?"

OH, HELLO, YOUR HIGHNESS. JUST TAKING A BRIEF JOG--A FEW LAPS-- AROUND THE ISLAND ON THIS LOVELY EVENING.

AT LEAST HE'S STILL RUNNING AROUND...

TRULY.

WHILE I AGREE WE MUST DO ANYTHING TO HELP HIM, ARE YOU SURE THIS WILL WORK?

NO. THE NATURE OF SONIC'S ARRIVAL, HIS MEMORY LOSS, ARE ALL A MYSTERY. ANYTHING WE ATTEMPT WILL HAVE A DEGREE OF UNCERTAINTY TO IT.

BUT I HAVE FAITH IN THE POWER OF THE ***SOL EMERALDS***. AND AS THEIR GUARDIAN, ONLY I MAY USE THEIR POWER FOR THIS TASK.

SONIC.

YOU KEEP CALLING ME THAT, BUT-- OH, MY.

MAY THE POWER OF THE SOL EMERALDS HELP YOU TO REMEMBER!

GAZE INTO THE SACRED FIRE AND HAVE IT FUEL THE WINDS OF YOUR SPIRIT!

RECALL OUR PAST ADVENTURES! RECALL ALL THE GOOD YOU HAVE DONE!

RETURN TO US! RETURN TO THE HERO I KNOW YOU TO BE!

WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT? WHY ARE YOU ON FIRE?! AND WHY--

--WHY IS IT SO FAMILIAR...?

SPIRAL HILL VILLAGE. SONIC'S WORLD & DIMENSION.

SO THIS IS NEW AND TERRIBLE. GOT A PLAN, SWEETIE?

I'VE WRITTEN SOME CODE THAT *SHOULD* INTERFERE WITH THAT THING'S SYSTEMS *AND* EJECT GEMERL, BUT THERE'S NO WIRELESS RECEIVER!

I'LL NEED A HARD LINE TO UPLOAD IT!

WELL, BREAKING-AND-ENTERING IS SORT OF MY THING. TELL ME WHEN YOU'RE READY TO GO.

LOOK FOR AN ACCESS PANEL ON THE BACK IN THREE... TWO... ONE...

GO!

CONSTRUCTION ON THIS IS PRETTY SHODDY. THE DOCTOR THREW THIS TOGETHER IN A HURRY.

SO HE PROBABLY DIDN'T DO MUCH TO HIDE--

--EUREKA!

THANKS, ROUGE! NOW TO RUIN EGGMAN'S DAY!

ZORCH

YOU OKAY, BUDDY?

SYSTEM... REBOOT... INITIATED...

HEY! THAT'S NOT JUST A WEIRD COSMETIC CHOICE! OMEGA IS LITERALLY PART OF THIS THING!

WELL, GET HIM OUT!

I'M WORKING ON IT! BUT HE'S HARDWIRED INTO THE CHASSIS. I'LL SEE IF THERE'S AN EJECTION PROTOCOL...

HACK INTO MY SYSTEMS, WILL HE?!

POW

GET DOWN!

PRIMARY SYSTEMS ONLINE. SECONDARY PROGRAMMING ACTIVE.

MUST DESTROY EGGMAN! MUST... DESTROY... EGGMAN'S... ENEMIES!

WARNING! CASCADE ERROR!

SO MUCH TO SHOOT! TOO CONFLICTED TO AIM!

THE BARRAGE HAS STOPPED... HE'S STUCK! LET'S GET HIM WHILE WE CAN!

BONK

SHUNK

BAH! I'VE TOYED WITH YOU FOOLS LONG ENOUGH!

OMEGA! BACK ON YOUR LEASH!

TACKITY- TACKITY- TACKITY

C'MON! FIGHT HIM!

SYSTEM... OVERRIDE...

EEP!

HOW DO YOU FEEL NOW?

...SONIC?

LIKE I DID ONE TOO MANY LOOP-DE-LOOPS IN A ROW. BUT *DEFINITELY* A LOT LESS WARPED.

THANKS FOR PUTTING CHILI BACK ON MY DOG, BLAZE.

I'M JUST HAPPY TO HAVE YOU BACK TO YOUR OLD SELF.

CAN YOU REMEMBER IF YOUR WORLD IS ALL RIGHT?

IT'S FUZZY BUT... YEAH. THINGS WERE DICEY, BUT SILVER AND I HANDLED IT.

AND IN "HANDLING IT," YOU CRASH-LANDED IN MY GARDEN WITH AMNESIA.

HEH, WELL... YOU KNOW ME. I LIKE TO MAKE AN ENTRANCE.

SORRY, BY THE WAY.

NOT TO SOUND UNGRATEFUL, BUT I DIDN'T EXACTLY SAY "GOOD-BYE" BEFORE LEAVING.

EVERYBODY MUST BE WORRIED.

CAN YOU SEND ME HOME?

OF COURSE.

PLEASE GIVE MY BEST TO AMY AND CREAM.

WILL DO. BUT COME VISIT SOON, OKAY?

WE ALL MISS HAVING YOU AROUND.

THANK YOU. I WILL.

BWOSH

YOU PUT UP A DECENT FIGHT, BUT IT'S TIME TO RAZE YOU AND THIS VILLAGE TO THE GROUND!

OH, NOW WHAT?!

BWOOSH

HEY, GUYS. MISS ME?

LOOKS LIKE I'M UNFASHIONABLY LATE. WHAT'S THE SITCH, LI'L BRO?

EGGMAN IS USING OMEGA AS THE CORE FOR THE BIGGER MECHA!

GOT IT!

NO NO NO!!!

I HAD THEM! I'D WON!

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

WHAM

OUT... YOU... GO!

UNLEASHING STOCKPILED WRATH!

BRAKKA-RAKKA-RAKKA

AMMO DEPLETED.

S'ALL GOOD, MAN. YOU DID YOUR PART.

DO NOT PATRONIZE ME.

YOU JUST COULDN'T STAY GONE, COULD YOU?! JUST *HAD* TO COME BACK AND RUIN MY FUN!

ALWAYS, EGG-FACE. ANYTIME. ANYWHERE.

COME A LITTLE CLOSER. WE'LL GO

STILL SORE ABOUT THAT WHOLE "GETTING INFECTED AND NEARLY BECOMING A MINDLESS MACHINE" THING, *EH?*

THAT'S PART OF THE LIST, YES.

WELL... I STILL RUINED YOUR PARTY! THE DAY IS *MINE!*

MY NEXT SINISTER PLOT WILL BE UNBEATABLE! UNTIL NEXT TIME, YOU WRETCHED HEDGEHOG!

UNTIL NEXT TIME, DOC. AND THE TIME AFTER THAT, AND THE ONE AFTER THAT.

MAYBE YOU'LL EVENTUALLY COME AROUND...

SONIC!

I WAS WORRIED WE'D NEVER SEE YOU AGAIN!

AWW... IT WAS JUST A LITTLE CATACLYSMIC, REALITY-BENDING EXPLOSION. I WAS *FINE*.

BLAZE SAYS "HEY," BY THE WAY.

I KNEW YOU'D BE BACK! *I KNEW IT!*

YO! ARE WE GETTING OUR VICTORIOUS GROUP HUG ON?

YOU KNOW IT!

YEAH! EVERYBODY GETS IN ON THIS!

TANGLE...

WHOOPS! MISSED YOU! I THINK YOU CAN WEDGE IN HERE BETWEEN ME AND SONIC!

I HATE TO RUIN THE MOOD, BUT...

...THE TOWN IS STILL ON FIRE.

EASILY FIXED. YOUR TOWN IS REALLY INVASION-PRONE, Y'KNOW THAT?

I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW WE WERE PERFECTLY BORING UNTIL YOU SHOWED UP, MISTER!

HAHA! LET'S GO!

HE NEVER STOPS, DOES HE?

NOPE! AND NEITHER SHOULD WE-- COME ON!

IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK. GOOD TO BE *HEALTHY.*

I HOPE SILVER AND BLAZE CAN COME BACK AND *NOT* HAVE TO DEAL WITH SOME KIND OF DISASTER.

A NEW DAY MEANS NEW ADVENTURES! SO NO MORE LYING AROUND...

...TIME TO FIND OUT WHAT COMES NEXT!

THE METAL VIRUS SAGA IS OVER!
NEXT TIME: OFF TO THE CHAO RACES!

NEXT MONTH

SONIC LETTERS SQUAD

What's up, Squad! Wow! Sonic finally cured the world from the Metal Virus and had a moment of peace. Thank you to everyone who has followed the Metal Virus Saga and thank you for joining Ian Flynn, Adam Bryce Thomas, Matt Herms, and Shawn Lee for the conclusion, "Recovery, part two." Now, on to the letters!

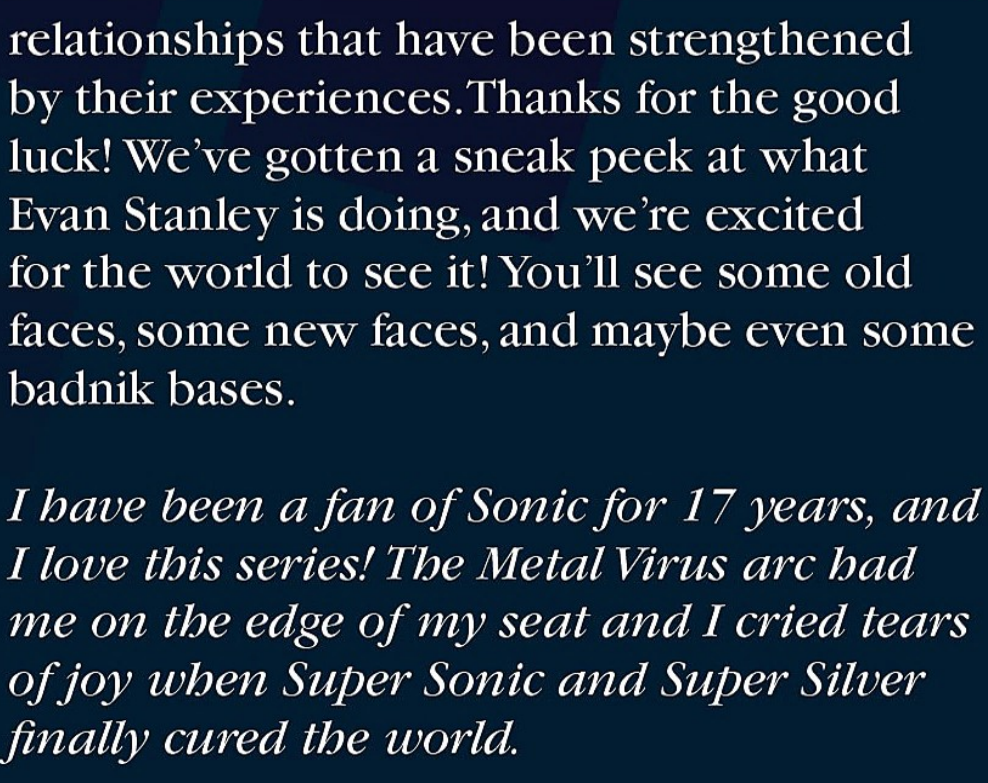
Hey guys! Marcie again.

I've thoroughly enjoyed the zombot saga from beginning to end, and I'm very satisfied to see it reach its conclusion. This story really pushed these characters to their limits, and it's been interesting seeing the different ways they deal with crisis. I've attached some celebratory art for another arc well done! Good luck to the team with what's coming next, and a special good luck to Evan with more writing duties! I look forward to it.

Marcie Hobbs

Hey, Marcie!

Wow, your art is amazing and perfect for issue #32! You knew a happily ever after was coming, huh? The Metal Virus has really pushed the characters to the limit, you're right; it's been interesting to see the new relationships that have been formed or old



relationships that have been strengthened by their experiences. Thanks for the good luck! We've gotten a sneak peek at what Evan Stanley is doing, and we're excited for the world to see it! You'll see some old faces, some new faces, and maybe even some badnik bases.

I have been a fan of Sonic for 17 years, and I love this series! The Metal Virus arc had me on the edge of my seat and I cried tears of joy when Super Sonic and Super Silver finally cured the world.

How long will it be before Sonic returns? And will Zavok be wanting revenge once more? And is Mimic making a return?

One of your biggest fans,

Mark F.

Hi, Mark!

Super Sonic and Super Silver coming together to cure the world was really awesome. I'm sorry for your tears but happy to hear that you were gripped by the story. It's always great to hear that the hard work the amazing creators put in inspire such emotions. I think I also shed a few tears at

Sonic is back and healthy, but as for Zavok and Mimic… check out the upcoming Bad Guys miniseries starting next month… It will be slightly less tear inducing but just as much action.

Hello IDW,

I'm Birdie, I'm 12 years old and sometime in the future I want to become an animator!

I have been a Sonic fan since I was little, but I've only been reading the comics for about a year. I really like the art in the comics, because it's so different from the games.

My favorite character is Nack the Weasel, and I'm hoping he makes it into the comics some day!

Here is a drawing I made of Don and Nite as humans.

Hi, Birdie!

Thanks so much for reading and enjoying our comics. Your Don and Nite drawing is super cool, I love seeing human takes on these characters, especially new and original characters! It's so cool that you want to be an animator. A lot of comics artists and writers also work on animations and video games, so reading comics and playing video games is a great way to learn. Illustrations and words together, whether in a book or on a screen, is a really special medium that not everyone understands, but those that do are enamored by the magic it can create.

Thanks for joining us, Squad. Don't forget to send your art and letters to letters@idwpublishing.com, and make sure to mark them: "OKAY TO PRINT!" And join the IDW Sonic Comics Squad on Facebook! Next month, it's off to the races with new writer Evan Stanley in "Chao Races and Badnik Bases, part one"!

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HERE WE ARE—*TEAM SONIC*—ON *PLANET WISP.*

DRIVING CARS FAST ENOUGH TO ENTERTAIN EVEN SONIC, ON CRAZY TRACKS STOCKED WITH WISP POWER-UPS.

ALL FOR AN ECCENTRIC MYSTERY MAN, DODON PA. NO ONE KNOWS WHERE HE COMES FROM OR WHY HE HOSTS RACES.

BLUE HEDGEHOG OR BLACK HEDGEHOG? WHO WILL SURVIVE? *HOHOHOHO.*

SERIOUSLY, I WONDER. THEY'RE BOTH PRETTY GOOD...

AND WE'RE LOSING! WHAT?!

COOL SUMMARY, TAILS. NOW HOW ABOUT WE FOCUS UP AND WIN THIS THING?

HEH. TOTALLY!

SONIC AND SHADOW ARE OFF IN THEIR OWN LITTLE WORLD IN THEIR SPEED-TYPE CARS, BUT WE'VE GOTTA MAKE SURE TO WIN, TOO.

RIGHT! WE'VE GOT THE TEAM SCORE TO THINK ABOUT.

BRING-THE-PAIN PROTOCOLS INITIATED.

HNGH! I CAN HANDLE OMEGA IN MY POWER-TYPE RACER...

...BUT MORE MATTERS THAN JUST HOW MANY ***MILES PER HOUR*** WE DRIVE.

I'M COUNTING ON YOU TO OUTWIT ROUGE WITH YOUR TECHNIQUE-TYPE CAR SKILLS!

ROGER. I'VE NOTICED EVERYONE'S CAR HAS A UNIQUE SLIPSTREAM.

I THINK THAT'S THE KEY TO USING KINETIC CONTACT TO OUR ADVANTAGE!

SOMETIMES I FEEL LIKE WE SHOULD CALL YOU "BRAINS" INSTEAD OF "TAILS."

INDEED. YOUR CARS CAN DO ALL SORTS OF THINGS!

AND THE VIDEO SCREENS, TOO! MY EXPENSIVE RACE, MY RULES! *HOHOHOHO!*

GAH! YOU CAN TALK THROUGH OUR CARS!

UNFF!

YOU SHOULD FOCUS ON YOUR OPPONENT— *ME.*

I KNOW THERE ARE OTHER WAYS TO GET AHEAD. WATCH AND LEARN ABOUT—

KRNSH

—RESOURCEFULNESS.

KA-SPLODE

NOT COOL, WISPS!

I THOUGHT WE WERE POWER-UP PALS!

YOU WANT RESOURCEFULNESS, SHADOW? HERE'S SOME POWER FOR YOUR TEAM!

WHOMP

ECHIDNA IMPACT EXPERIENCED.

BAT IMPACT IMMINENT.

WHAT THE—

WHOOSH

BOOST DETECTED.

WHOOSH

ZOOM

WOW! THANKS FOR THE BOOST, KNUCKLES!

SURE YOU'RE NOT ON OUR TEAM?

GRRRR! YOU KNUCKLEHEAD.

DON'T BEAT YOURSELF UP!

YOU JUST DISCOVERED THE SKIMBOOST! I BET WE CAN PULL ONE OFF, TOO!

I GOTTA ADMIT, I WASN'T SURE WHAT TO EXPECT WHEN DODON PA INVITED US TO RACE.

BUT GOING HEAD-TO-HEAD WITH SHADOW AND HIS TEAM IS WAY MORE FUN THAN DEALING WITH—

—EGGMAN?!

VRRRRRT

IN THE FLESH, HEDGEHOGS!

NOW WATCH A TRUE GENIUS AT WORK!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE PLOTTING, BUT WHATEVER IT IS—IT WON'T KEEP ME FROM CROSSING THE FINISH LINE FIRST!

...NO! I'M TOTALLY HERE TO RACE AS A SPECIAL GUEST!

SURE, WHY NOT?

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